 Council of San Benito County Governments

AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING
COUNCIL OF SAN BENITO COUNTY GOVERNMENTS

DATE: Thursday, August 16, 2018
3:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Board of Supervisors Chambers
481 Fourth St., Hollister, CA 95023

DIRECTORS: Chair Jaime De La Cruz, Vice Chair Tony Boch
Directors Anthony Botelho, Jim Gillio, and Ignacio Velazquez
Alternates: San Benito County: Jerry Muenzer;
City of Hollister: Mickie Solorio Luna; City of San Juan Bautista: Jim West
Ex Officio: Caltrans District 5

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3:00 P.M. CALL TO ORDER

A. Pledge of Allegiance
B. Verification of Certificate of Posting
C. Public Comment (Opportunity to address the Board on items of interest on a subject matter within the jurisdiction of the Council of Governments and not appearing on the agendas. No action may be taken unless provided by Govt. Code Sec. 54954.2 Speakers are limited to 3 minutes.)
D. Executive Director’s Report
E. Caltrans Report - Gubbins/ Loe
F. Board of Directors’ Reports

CONSENT AGENDA:
(These matters shall be considered as a whole and without discussion unless a particular item is removed from the Consent Agenda. Members of the public who wish to speak on a Consent Agenda item must submit a Speaker Card to the Clerk and wait for recognition from the Chairperson. Approval of a consent item means approval as recommended on the Staff Report.)

1. APPROVE Council of Governments Draft Meeting Minutes Dated July 19, 2018 – Gomez
2. RECEIVE Construction Projects Report – Caltrans District 5
3. RECEIVE QUARTERLY UPDATE on Regional Surface Transportation Program and Transportation Development Act Funding for Local Street and Roadway Projects – Gilbert
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4. **RECEIVE** List of Caltrans Projects in San Benito County Funded by the State Highway Operation and Protection Program – Gilbert

5. **RECEIVE UPDATE** on the Council of San Benito County Governments Roads, Transportation, Safety and Investment Plan Transactions and Use Tax Ordinance – Gilbert

Adjourn to COG Meeting on September 20, 2018. Agenda Deadline is Tuesday, September 4, 2018 at 12:00 p.m.

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District Director’s Report
A quarterly publication for our transportation partners

Storm Damage Recovery Ongoing
Catastrophic winter spurs travel options
Caltrans continues recovery work from major storm damages in January that buried portions of US 101 in Santa Barbara and Ventura counties while also rendering Highways 192, 33 and 150 impassable. Major work includes rebuilding four bridges and repairing two others, and removing heavy boulders and debris from creek beds and culverts. Completion for most bridge construction, estimated at $30 million, is expected in spring 2019. Some highway segments remain closed. Caltrans is accelerating work where possible on all impacted highways.

During the two-week closure of US 101, various transportation options became available for the traveling public. Amtrak’s Pacific Surfliner added rail cars from Northern and Southern California to meet high travel demands. Santa Barbara Airbus featured daily LAX shuttle trips (five-hours duration) via Interstate 5 and Highway 166. Condor Express also offered daily round-trip emergency ferry services between the Santa Barbara and Ventura harbors. The deadly Montecito mudslide—which took the lives of at least 21 people—followed the December 2017 Thomas Fire that destroyed many structures and burned 300,000 nearby acres.

SB 1 Investment Supports Central Coast
The California Transportation Commission (CTC) is recommending $183.8 million for Santa Barbara County Association of Governments’ (SBAG) US 101 Multimodal Corridor project, which will improve the highway for nearly 16 miles from Ventura County to Santa Barbara. Major work includes completing a High Occupancy Vehicle Lane, filling gaps along the California Coastal Trail, providing peak-hour rail service from Ventura County, enhancing transit services, adding Transportation Demand Management and Intelligent Transportation Systems, and installing new, 40-year highway pavement. The CTC recently adopted both the 2018 State Highway Operation and Protection Program ($18 billion) and the State Transportation Improvement Program ($3.28 billion) for projects covering the next five years. This includes $197 million for improving Highway 46 East, a major east/west trade corridor, in San Luis Obispo County. SB 1, the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017, invests $54 billion over the next decade to rebuild streets, freeways and bridges in local communities statewide while funding transit and congested trade/commute corridors. More information: http://rebuildingca.ca.gov/

New Acting District Director
Richard Rosales is now acting District 5 Director. He has 32 years of Caltrans civil engineering experience, including two years as Deputy District Director of Program Project Management; 15 years as a project manager in four of the District’s five counties; and capital delivery, including encroachment permits, construction, design and hydraulics. He holds a Bachelor’s degree in civil engineering from California State University-Cal Poly, Pomona.

Rosales will serve as District Director until Timothy Gubbins returns from San Diego where he is now interim District 11 Director while recruitment is under way to fill that position—formerly held by the new Caltrans Director Laurie Berman before her appointment to Chief Deputy last fall. Rochelle Vierra, PLS, PMP is acting Deputy District 5 Director of Program Project Management. She has 31 years of Caltrans experience, including Project Management Support Unit and Project Resources Chief and Schedule Management (PRSM) Manager, project manager and land surveyor.

Please Submit Maintenance Service Requests at the Following Link: http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/maint/msrsubmit/
**Freight Mobility Plan**

Caltrans seeks early public input on the 2019 *California Freight Mobility Plan*. The statewide long-range plan will provide a framework for safe, sustainable, reliable and efficient movement of freight, people and services over the next 20 years. The freight system contributes about $2.2 trillion annually to the economy and growth is expected. Major challenges include addressing congestion and making the network more environmentally and economically sustainable.

Caltrans is developing the plan in partnership with the California State Transportation Agency, California Freight Advisory Committee and multiple stakeholders. Focus group sessions are scheduled statewide April through June 2018 in the South/North Central Valleys, Sacramento, San Diego, Los Angeles, and San Bernardino and the Inland Empire. The plan’s completion is scheduled in December 2019. More information: [http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/tpp/offices/ogm/](http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/tpp/offices/ogm/)

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**Truck Parking Survey**

The Caltrans is implementing the 2016 *California Sustainable Freight Action Plan*.

The plan cites truck parking shortages and related issues as top priorities. As such, Caltrans is asking local government agencies and industry representatives to provide input on a 7-question survey now being distributed statewide.

Caltrans will incorporate the survey results, compiled by each District, into its upcoming *Statewide Truck Parking Study*. The scheduled release date is not yet determined.


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**User-Oriented Transit Travel Planning Project**

Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission (SCCRTC) recently completed its joint transit planning grant project with Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District. The $250,000 project developed an individualized marketing toolkit to increase transit ridership and decrease solo-driving. The federally funded (FTA 5304) grant project targeted high-activity employment centers and neighborhoods near major transit stops. The successful plan is applicable in Santa Cruz County and statewide. More information: [https://sccrtc.org/](https://sccrtc.org/)

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**Halcyon Road Complete Streets Plan**

The City of Arroyo Grande recently completed its *Halcyon Road Complete Streets Plan*. The $150,000 Caltrans Sustainable Transportation Planning grant project developed a Complete Streets blueprint for the Halcyon Road corridor located within the city limits and San Luis Obispo County. The plan focuses on improving safety, mobility and accessibility for all users. It also included extensive public outreach to help identify and prioritize both deficiencies and needed improvements. More information: [http://halcyoncompletestreets.com/](http://halcyoncompletestreets.com/)

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**May is Bike Month**

Caltrans will host a commuter station from 7 to 9 a.m. on Friday, May 18, at the District Office in San Luis Obispo. Refreshments will be provided on a first-come, first-serve basis and free giveaways are subject to availability. The event, one of a dozen planned throughout San Luis Obispo County, supports bicycling and greenhouse gas emission reduction for cleaner air, healthier lifestyles and more sustainable transportation. More information: [https://rideshare.org/program/btwd/](https://rideshare.org/program/btwd/)

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**Call for Projects Coming**

Caltrans expects a call for projects for the 2019 Active Transportation Program (ATP) Cycle 4 in May 2018. An estimated $440 million in federal and SB 1 funding is anticipated for this grant round. In 2013, California created the ATP to encourage more walking and bicycling throughout the state. The program supports both infrastructure and education projects to further these goals. The California Transportation Commission is scheduled to adopt the ATP Guidelines and Fund Estimate on May 16, 2018. Applications are due to Caltrans **July 31, 2018**. More information: [http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/LocalPrograms/atp/cycle-4.html](http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/LocalPrograms/atp/cycle-4.html)
MEMBERS PRESENT:
Chair De La Cruz, Vice-Chair Boch, Director Gillio, and Director Botelho
Ex Officio: Caltrans District 5, Kelly McClendon

MEMBERS ABSENT:
Director Velazquez

STAFF PRESENT:
County Counsel, Shirley Murphy; Executive Director, Mary Gilbert; Transportation Planner, Veronica Lezama; Transportation Planner, Regina Valentine; Secretary, Monica Gomez

OTHERS PRESENT:
Heather Adamson, Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments

CALL TO ORDER:
Chair De La Cruz called the meeting to order at 3:00 P.M.

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

B. CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

Upon a motion duly made by Director Boch, and seconded by Director Gillio, the Directors acknowledged the Certificate of Posting. Vote: 4/0 motion passes.

C. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Warren Budenbender

Mr. Budenbender had questions regarding the lack of funding for Highway 25 and why it was pushed to the back burner while the Highway 156 project was moving forward. He stated that now the public is receiving inquiries in the mail asking if residents would be willing to pay additional taxes.

Chair De La Cruz asked Mr. Budenbender to provide his comments during Item 3 since it pertained to the item.

Reed Sanders

Mr. Sanders announced that he was back from active duty service. He said that he would be available to address any state needs or questions the Board may have.

Chair De La Cruz stated for the record that the COG Board received Joe Thompson’s public comment correspondence dated May 20, 2018 through June 28, 2018. The correspondence was entered into the
public record.

D. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT: Gilbert

Ms. Gilbert reported that staff is progressing on the Request for Proposal for the Transit Operations Contractor with proposals due on August 7th. Staff will be contacting Board members that are on the Proposal Review Committee to review suitable meeting dates and time.

Ms. Gilbert reported that she has volunteered to be the representative for Rural Counties on the California Statewide Freight Advisory Committee. They will be meeting on a quarterly basis.

Lastly, Ms. Gilbert presented a Certificate of Appreciation to COG staff Veronica Lezama, in appreciation of her dedicated service as a Transportation Planner for the Council of Governments. Ms. Gilbert extended sincere gratitude for her commitment, collaboration with other agencies, and outstanding efforts developing the 2040 San Benito Regional Transportation Plan and improving transportation for all San Benito County residents.

E. CALTRANS DISTRICT 5 REPORT: Kelly McClendon

Kelly McClendon announced that Highway 1 along Mud Creek reopened yesterday. The formal ribbon cutting ceremony will be held Friday, July 20th at 11:00 a.m. at the Ragged Point Inn. It was a large emergency repair project totaling $54 million and it was completed two months ahead of schedule.

Mr. McClendon announced that there is a current call for projects for the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) Cycle 9. Applications are due to Caltrans by Friday, August 31st.

Director Gillio inquired if the local agencies were aware of the HSIP call for projects and if applications had to go through COG or directly to Caltrans.

Ms. Gilbert stated that COG staff has shared HSIP application information with the local agencies and would be following up with them to see what projects may be eligible.

Mr. McClendon stated that project applications should be submitted directly to Caltrans. He mentioned that he would forward additional supporting materials that can be forwarded on to staff.

F. BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORTS:

Director Gillio asked if Caltrans could provide a status/timing update on the Highway 25 curve correction in South County.

Mr. McClendon stated that he would follow up with the project manager to provide an update on the current status and project schedule.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. APPROVE Council of Governments Draft Meeting Minutes Dated June 21, 2018 – Gomez
2. RECEIVE Construction Projects Report – Caltrans District 5

There was no discussion or public comment on the Consent Agenda.
Upon a motion duly by made by Director Boch, and seconded by Director Botelho, the Directors approved Items 1-2 from the Consent agenda. Vote: 4/0 motion passes.

REGULAR AGENDA
TRANSPORTATION ITEMS:

3. ADOPT Ordinance No. 2018-01, the Council of San Benito County Governments Roads, Transportation Safety and Investment Plan Transactions and Use Tax Ordinance – Gilbert

Ms. Gilbert reported that for several months, the COG Board has discussed development of an expenditure plan for a 1 cent transportation sales tax measure for inclusion on the June 2018 ballot. Staff has prepared an ordinance to outline the provisions of the measure, including an Expenditure Plan, to request that the San Benito County Board of Supervisors place the item on the November 6, 2018 ballot, and to identify several provisions required by law to be made a part of the ordinance. On June 21, the COG Board introduced this ordinance and it is before the Board now for adoption.

PUBLIC COMMENT:
Warren Budenbender

Mr. Budenbender asked why Highway 156 was funded and Highway 25 was not. He stated that he was concerned about safety along Highway 25 as his wife, and thousands more commute to San Jose on a daily basis. He mentioned that there was a fatality on Bolsa Road last night. He said he sees a lot of truck traffic and tractors on the road even late into night. He said he was a new resident to the area and that there are many more moving here from Silicon Valley. He was told that there is not enough money to fund Highway 25, so he asked if anyone has requested funds from Sacramento or requested federal funds. He stated that he came to the meeting to be educated and to ask what he could do to assist with making sure the project moves forward.

Board members explained that Highway 156 has been a part of planning documents for over 20 years. Funding has become available because it is a state recognized trade corridor moving produce and people east/west along the corridor. Highway 25 has also been in planning documents for some time however, it is recognized under a different classification and is viewed as a Hollister commuter route connecting San Benito County to Santa Clara County. The Cities and County have designated Impact Fees to go towards funding of Highway 25. COG’s Executive Director and Board members have gone to Sacramento and before the California Transportation Commission (CTC) to lobby for additional funding for Highway 25 but, this is not enough. The Board stated that it is very important that the transportation sales tax passes otherwise, any improvements to Highway 25 will not occur. They thanked the public for their comments and invited them to help move the project forward by lobbying in favor of the transportation sales tax in November.

There was no further discussion or public comment on the item.

Upon a motion duly by made by Director Botelho, and seconded by Director Gillio, the Directors approved Item 4. Vote: 4/0 motion passes.

4. ADOPT Resolution 2018-09 Requesting that the Board of Supervisors Of the County of San Benito Call a Special Election for the Consideration Of Measure___ On the November 6, 2018 Ballot and Consolidate the Special Election with the General Election – Gilbert

Ms. Gilbert reported that in order for COG’s sales tax ordinance to be placed on the November 6, 2018 ballot, COG must request that the San Benito County Board of Supervisors call for the election. Staff prepared a resolution of request for this action. If approved, the Board of Supervisors will consider the request at its July 24, 2018 meeting.
PUBLIC COMMENT:

Wayne Norton

Mr. Norton stated that he had recently retired and he was not a big fan of new taxes. However, he stated that they are needed in order to improve our roads. He said we need to work hard against Proposition 6 because if SB 1 is repealed we are in big trouble. He stated that our roads need to be fixed, it is a safety and quality of life issue. He thanked COG staff for all of their outreach efforts and highly urged the Board to approve this resolution and urged the County and Cities to do the same.

There was no further discussion or public comment on the item.

Upon a motion duly made by Director Gillio, and seconded by Director Boch, the Directors approved Item 4 as noted above. Vote: 4/0 motion passes.

Upon a motion duly made by Director Gillio, and seconded by Director Boch, the Directors Unanimously adjourned the COG meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 3:28 p.m. Vote: 4/0 motion passes.

ADJOURN TO COG SPECIAL MEETING AUGUST 16, 2018 at 5:00 P.M.
## CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

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<tr>
<td>1. Highway 101 Striping Project (1J720)</td>
<td>From Monterey to SBt County (PM 101.3-7.55)</td>
<td>Monterey and San Benito striping project</td>
<td>Spring 2018—Fall 2018</td>
<td>$4.4 million</td>
<td>SB1</td>
<td>Bertha Roman</td>
<td>Safety Striping Service, Inc. Goshen, CA</td>
<td>Project began mid-April with overnight work. Project completion is scheduled for Fall 2018.</td>
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<td>2. Highway 101 Pavement Rehab (1J200)</td>
<td>In San Benito County from SR 129 to Betabel Road (PM 4.6 to 6.9)</td>
<td>Pavement rehabilitation</td>
<td>July 22, 2018—Fall 2018</td>
<td>$1.4 million</td>
<td>SB1</td>
<td>Farshad Keshavarzi</td>
<td>Telfer Pavement Technologies, McClellan, CA</td>
<td>Project Completion is scheduled for late August 2018.</td>
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## PROJECTS IN DEVELOPMENT

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<td>2. Highway 25 Curve Restoration Project (1H810)</td>
<td>Near Hollister, just north of San Benito Lateral to south of SR 146 (PM 18.8/19.1)</td>
<td>Curve restoration</td>
<td>Scheduled to start in Fall 2020</td>
<td>$4.3 million</td>
<td>SHOPP</td>
<td>Brandy Rider</td>
<td>PA&amp;ED</td>
<td>Project design and environmental review are ongoing.</td>
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<td>3. Highway 25 Super Elevation Adjustment and Culvert Extension (1C260)</td>
<td>Slightly north of La Gloria Road (PM 25.9/R26.2)</td>
<td>Curve correction</td>
<td>Scheduled to start in Fall/Winter 2018</td>
<td>$2.1 million</td>
<td>SHOPP</td>
<td>Brandy Rider</td>
<td>PS&amp;E/ROW</td>
<td>Project is anticipated for award in Fall 2018.</td>
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<td>Highway 25 Roadway Safety Improvements (1F430)</td>
<td>In Hollister from Sunnyslope/Tres Pinos Road to San Felipe Road (PM R49.9/R52.2)</td>
<td>Route deficiency corrections</td>
<td>Scheduled to start in Fall/Winter 2018</td>
<td>$6.9 million</td>
<td>SHOPP</td>
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<td>PS&amp;E/ROW</td>
<td>Project is anticipated for award in Fall 2018.</td>
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<td>Highway 25 Widening Project and Route Adoption Hollister to Gilroy (48540)</td>
<td>Near Hollister and Gilroy on SR 25 in San Benito &amp; Santa Clara Counties (PM SBt 51.5 to SCL 2.6)</td>
<td>Route adoption</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>Local</td>
<td>Brandy Rider</td>
<td>PA&amp;ED</td>
<td>Coordinating required adoption into SBt/SCL Counties &amp; City General Plans. Local agencies are currently working with Caltrans on the Controlled Access Highway Agreements.</td>
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<td>Highway 156 Improvement Project (34490)</td>
<td>In and near San Juan Bautista, from The Alameda to slightly east of Fourth Street near Hollister (PM 3.0/R8.2)</td>
<td>Construct four-lane expressway</td>
<td>Summer 2020 – Summer 2022</td>
<td>$57.4 million</td>
<td>STIP/Local</td>
<td>Brandy Rider</td>
<td>PS&amp;E</td>
<td>Project design continues with 95% completion. ROW appraisals in progress. Utility relocation, design coordination under way.</td>
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**ACRONYMS USED IN THIS REPORT:**
- PA&ED: Project Approval and Environmental Document
- PS&E: Plans, Specifications, and Estimate
- ROW: Right of way
- SBt: San Benito
- SR: State Route
- SCL: Santa Clara
- SHOPP: Statewide Highway Operation and Protection Program
- STIP: State Transportation Improvement Program
Staff Report

To: Council of San Benito County Governments
From: Mary Gilbert, Executive Director  Telephone: (831) 637-7665 x. 207
Date: August 16, 2018
Subject: Local Streets and Roads Funding

Recommendation:

RECEIVE QUARTERLY UPDATE on Regional Surface Transportation Program and Transportation Development Act Funding for Local Street and Roadway Projects

Summary:

Regional Surface Transportation Program funding is made available each year through the Council of Governments when the funding is allocated by the State. COG has also made two one-time apportionments of Transportation Development Act funds to each local jurisdiction, in 2008 and 2017. These funds have typically been used by the Cities of Hollister and San Juan Bautista and the County of San Benito for streets and roads maintenance as well as roadway projects. Staff is providing a quarterly update to the Board on the status of apportionments and claims under the two programs as of August 1, 2018.

Financial Impact:

The balance of Local Streets and Roads funds allocated by COG and available to local jurisdictions as of August 1, 2018 totals $4,724,972. More detailed analysis of the financial impact is included in the Staff Analysis below.

Background:

The COG Board last approved 3-year apportionments of RSTP in August 2017. In September 2017, the Board approved apportionments of Transportation Development Act funds to the Cities and County.

Staff Analysis:

In general, funds are apportioned and provided to local jurisdictions under the following process:
- COG apportions funding by existing formula
- Local agencies submit projects for allocation by COG Board
- COG Board approves funding allocation
- Local agency submits invoice for project with back-up documentation
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<td>Transportation Development Act</td>
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Staff Report

To: Council of San Benito County Governments
From: Mary Gilbert, Executive Director  Telephone: (831) 637-7665 x. 207
Date August 16, 2018
Subject: State Highway Operations and Protection Program Projects

Recommendation:

RECEIVE List of Caltrans Projects in San Benito County Funded by the State Highway Operation and Protection Program.

Summary:

Caltrans recently provided COG with information related to projects currently programmed in the 2018 SHOPP, as well as possible projects for future programming. Staff is providing this information to the COG Board for review and comment.

Financial Considerations:

The total cost for projects listed in the State Highway Operation and Protection Program programmed through 2020/2021 is approximately $38 million. These projects are funded entirely by Caltrans. The SHOPP is funded through the State Highway Account supporting the State’s priority for preserving its existing infrastructure.

Staff Analysis:

The projects on the attached list are part of the 2018 SHOPP and include projects carried over from the 2018 SHOPP, Caltrans Minor A projects, and emergency projects in progress. Completed programmed projects are not included on the list.

Executive Director Review: ___________ Counsel Review: N/A

Attachment: Programmed/Funded SHOPP Projects/July 2018 Semi-Annual List
August 2, 2018

Mary Gilbert  
Executive Director  
Council of San Benito County Governments  
330 Tres Pinos Road, Suite C7  
Hollister, CA 95023

Dear Ms. Gilbert:

UPDATE OF THE STATE HIGHWAY OPERATION AND PROTECTION PROGRAM (SHOPP) FOR DISTRICT 5

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) District 5 has included with this letter the status of SHOPP programming and project initiation documents (PID) under development in San Benito County.

Caltrans is responsible for maintaining and operating approximately 50,000 lane-miles of the state highway system, the backbone of California’s transportation infrastructure. This includes monitoring the condition and operational performance of the highways through periodic inspections, traffic studies, and system analysis. The SHOPP is funded through the State Highway Account supporting the State’s priority for preserving the existing infrastructure.

For projects in San Benito County that are currently programmed in the SHOPP as of August 2018, please see Attachment 1. For projects currently under PID development and projects that are awaiting programming for the 2020 SHOPP, please see Attachment 2. To view Attachment 2 projects geographically via a WebViewer, please use this [link](#).

We also request that you identify any regionally or locally funded projects that Caltrans should be aware of to discuss proposed scope, funding scenarios, delivery timeframes, potential impacts to the State Highway System, and coordination responsibilities. For Caltrans to add an on-system project into the SHOPP workplan it needs to be in your RTP, be in Caltrans 3-yr workplan, and have an executed cooperative agreement. Please see Attachment 3 for the Caltrans 3-yr workplan.

Please share this information with your member agencies, and encourage them to contact the appropriate project manager for individual projects. For more information, please contact Garin Schneider at 805-549-3640 or email [Garin.Schneider@dot.ca.gov](mailto:Garin.Schneider@dot.ca.gov).

"Caltrans improves mobility across California"
Sincerely,

[Signature]

For
AILEEN K. LOE
Deputy District Director
Planning and Local Assistance

Attachments
1. Programmed SHOPP Projects
2. 2020 SHOPP Project List
3. 3-yr Workplan

“Caltrans improves mobility across California”
July 18, 2018

SBCAG and Jill Morales;

Caltrans District 5 Program/Project Management is pleased to provide you with this list of programmed 2018 SHOPP projects as of July 2018. This list will update you on the current status of active, programmed 2018 SHOPP projects in your county and is sent to you semi-annually. We hope it will be helpful to you, your local agencies, and your Board.

The projects on the attached list are part of the 2018 SHOPP and include projects carried over from the 2016 SHOPP, Caltrans Minor A projects, and emergency projects in progress. Completed programmed projects are not included on the list. The 2018 SHOPP became effective March 21-22, 2018. There are two changes to this list from what you are used to receiving. I have included a column titled “Contract Acceptance (Target Date)” which reflects the date we anticipate construction will end and a column titled “SB-1 Funds” which indicates whether that project is receiving SB1 SHOPP Augmentation funds.

Please contact the Project Managers for further information regarding these projects. We also ask that you direct calls from the public or other agencies to the appropriate Project Manager for the most current and detailed information.

To obtain additional general information as well as project specific Caltrans SHOPP information, please access the following link: http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/transprog/shopp.htm

You can also review more detailed project specific information online by viewing the current projects listed on the District 5 webpage: http://www.dot.ca.gov/d5/. If you have questions about the information contained in the Current Status of Projects, please contact the appropriate Project Manager.

Please contact me if you have any questions regarding this list. I welcome any suggestions to improve the list for everyone’s benefit.

Sincerely,

Sherri Martin, ATP
Programming Unit, Project Management
SHOPP & FTIP Coordinator
(805) 549-3788

Enclosure

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"Provide a safe, sustainable, integrated and efficient transportation system to enhance California's economy and livability"
# PROGRAMMED/FUNDED SHOPP PROJECTS
## in San Benito County
### July 2018 Semi-Annual List

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<td>2476</td>
<td>Near Wabasso, from end of Larview Road to east of Old Chiltemen Road; also from the Santa Cruz/San Benito County line to School Road (PM 0.654). Place open grouted friction pavement and upgrade guardrail. (Project in SDR, some work in SBI)</td>
<td>129 Open Grade Overlay and M&amp;B Upgrade</td>
<td>CON</td>
<td>10/17/2018 (A)</td>
<td>11/30/2018</td>
<td>Doug Hesling</td>
<td>805-548-3386</td>
<td><a href="mailto:doug.hesling@dol.ca.gov">doug.hesling@dol.ca.gov</a></td>
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<td>R25:SR203</td>
<td>1C260</td>
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<td>2374</td>
<td>Near Isonate, from 0.1 mile south of La Gloria Road to 0.3 mile north of La Gloria Road. Realignment or widening (Project/Construction for intersection)</td>
<td>La Gloria Rd Culvert</td>
<td>CON</td>
<td>6/28/2018 (A)</td>
<td>9/26/2019</td>
<td>Brandy Alder</td>
<td>805-649-3920</td>
<td><a href="mailto:brandy.alder@dol.ca.gov">brandy.alder@dol.ca.gov</a></td>
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<td>In and near Hollister, from Sunnyslope/Trees Pinna Road to San Felipe Road. Roadway safety improvements. (Project/Construction for intersection)</td>
<td>Rio DeFediency Corridor</td>
<td>CON</td>
<td>6/16/2018 (A)</td>
<td>12/12/2019</td>
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<td>Mon, SGR, SBI</td>
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<td>In Monterey, Santa Cruz and San Benito Counties on various routes at various locations. Signs (Project in MGN, some work in SGR &amp; SBI)</td>
<td>North District One Way Signs</td>
<td>CON</td>
<td>1/16/2018 (A)</td>
<td>4/30/2019</td>
<td>Aaron Hennes</td>
<td>805-649-3684</td>
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<td>1J886</td>
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<td>2782</td>
<td>In San Benito County at San Benito River Bridge. Replace joint seals and repave (Project/Construction for intersection)</td>
<td>Ben Benito River Bridge Joint Seal Replacement</td>
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<td>N/A</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>Zalek Dellama</td>
<td>805-548-3315</td>
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<td>1K208</td>
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<td>In San Benito County 1.1 mile south of Willow Creek Road. Replace culverts. SRA 69204.</td>
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<td>Zalez Dellama</td>
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<td>In Monterey, Santa Cruz, San Benito, San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara Counties on various routes at various locations. Repair electrical systems. SRA 662102. (Project in MGN, SOR, SBI, SLO and SBB Counties)</td>
<td>Electrical Repair Work</td>
<td>CON</td>
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**Programmed in 16/17**

**Programmed in 17/18 FY**

**Programmed in 18/19 FY**

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**Attachment 1**

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**NOTE:** For general information about the SHOPP program contact Sherri Martin (805-549-3788 or sherri.martin@dol.ca.gov)

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<td>In Monterey and San Benito counties from north of North Gonzales Overcrossing to the Santa Clara County line. Roadside safety improvements. (Project in MOE; some work in EBX.)</td>
<td>Monterey-San Benito Co Roadside Safety Improvements</td>
<td>PSAERW</td>
<td>3/25/2020 (T)</td>
<td>4/28/2021</td>
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<td>1H090 06170000047</td>
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<td>In various counties on various routes throughout District 5. Replace faded Traffic Management System (TMS) detection. (Project in MOL, SB, SLO and SB counties)*SB1.</td>
<td>TMS Detection Repair</td>
<td>PALED</td>
<td>4/1/2020 (T)</td>
<td>4/5/2021</td>
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<td>1H810 05190000164</td>
<td>2697</td>
<td>Near Pinnacles National Park, from 0.7 miles north of San Benito/Latera/Chaleng Road to 2.4 miles south of Route 146. Improve route and Safety zone.</td>
<td>Route 25 Curved Alignment Restoration</td>
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<td>6/18/2020 (T)</td>
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(A) = Actual date RTL was achieved.

Minor A Projects

Note: Construction Award or Vote costs are actual otherwise Construction costs are estimates.

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## San Benito County
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<td>Collision Reduction- Convert a Signalized Intersection to a two lane roundabout.</td>
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<td>54.048/54.048</td>
<td>Intersection of Route 25/156, north of City of Hollister in San Benito County</td>
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<td>1J840</td>
<td>Transportation Management Systems (TMS)- Replace &amp; install culvert, rehab lighting stations,</td>
<td>101</td>
<td>0/7.55</td>
<td>In San Benito County at and near Aromas from Monterey County Line to Santa Clara County Line</td>
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<td>update census and vehicle detection stations, apply pavement overlay and provide worker safety</td>
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<td>facilities and equipment improvements.</td>
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**Note:** For project-specific questions, contact the corresponding project manager. For general PID program & planning questions contact Garin Schneider at (805) 549-3640

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August 2018
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<td>47.7</td>
<td>49.64</td>
<td>Operational</td>
<td>SR 25 Widen to 4 lanes from Sunset Drive to Fairview Road</td>
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**Locally Sponsored**

**State Sponsored**

*No Projects at this time*
Staff Report

To: Council of San Benito County Governments
From: Mary Gilbert, Executive Director    Phone Number: (831) 637-7665 x.207
Date: August 16, 2018
Subject: Roads, Transportation, Safety and Investment Plan

Recommendation:

RECEIVE UPDATE on the Council of San Benito County Governments Roads, Transportation, Safety and Investment Plan Transactions and Use Tax Ordinance

Summary:

In July, the COG Board approved an ordinance to outline the provisions of a special tax measure for transportation, including an Expenditure Plan, to request that the San Benito County Board of Supervisors place the item on the November 6, 2018 ballot, and to identify several provisions required by law to be made a part of the ordinance.

Financial Impact:

A 1 percent sales tax is estimated to generate approximately $485 Million for transportation projects in thirty years.

Staff Analysis

Staff submitted all required materials to the San Benito County Dept. of Elections on August 7, 2018, in advance of the August 10 deadline. Staff continues to provide information-only presentations to the community at the request of community groups. Recent presentations have been made to the San Benito County Economic Development Corporation, the San Benito County Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Bureau, and the Safe Kids San Benito Partners.

The adopted ordinance is applicable in the incorporated and unincorporated territory of San Benito County, and will provide for:

A. the adoption of a transportation expenditure plan that has been approved by all affected jurisdictions, referred to as the “San Benito County Transportation Safety and Investment Plan”, to:
   1. repair potholes;
   2. improve and maintain local roads;
   3. widen Highway 25 to relieve traffic congestion and improve safety;
   4. improve pedestrian and bicycle safety;
5. provide mobility, bus, and paratransit services for seniors, people with disabilities, and youth; and
6. qualify for state and federal matching funds;

B. the imposition of a retail transactions and use tax of one percent (1%) over a period of thirty (30) years;

C. the authority to issue bonds secured by such taxes;

D. the authority to receive short-term or long-term loans secured by such taxes;

E. the COG’s authority to administer tax proceeds; and

F. the establishment of a citizens’ oversight committee, with the requirement to conduct annual independent audits.

Since Measure ___ is for a specific use and not a general tax, a 2/3 majority vote of the electors voting on the measure is required for passage.

Measure ___ is not similar to a gas tax that is shared throughout the State of California. It is a local retail transactions and use (sales) tax whereby all revenues plus interest generated shall be distributed as required by the Transportation Safety and Investment Plan (Exhibit B), only for road, transportation and transit projects, only in San Benito County.

One-page summaries and frequently asked questions about the Expenditure Plan are attached to this report for the Board’s use.

Executive Director Review: ____________    Counsel Review: ___ N/A ___

Supporting Attachment: Transportation Safety and Investment Plan Summary & Questions and Answers
San Benito County is home to about 60,000 residents who rely on our transportation system to get to work, school, home, and so much more every day. Our transportation needs are a shared responsibility of federal, state, regional, and local funding sources including commercial, residential, and industrial developer fees. Even with this, we have a funding shortfall to address our most critical issues. The fact is, San Benito County roads rank among the worst in the state, and average daily traffic on Highway 25 has doubled since the mid 1990s.

Our Needs
- Reduce traffic congestion and increase safety on Highway 25.
- Maintain local streets and roads.
- Repair potholes and roadway cracking.
- Increase pedestrian and bike safety.
- Protect and enhance bus and paratransit services for seniors, people with disabilities, and youth.
- Intersection improvements, slurry sealing, and overlays.

The detailed Roads and Transportation Safety Investment Plan outlines the most pressing needs and a prudent solution to address them with a 1% sales tax over the next 30 years to ensure a stable source of local funding for San Benito County that will qualify us for state and federal matching funds to leverage taxpayer dollars even further.

Strong taxpayer safeguards are part of the Plan, including annual audits and citizen oversight to ensure prudent and transparent use of public funds.

Built with community input. The Expenditure Plan is not only reflective of the Council of Governments' policy goals and Regional Transportation Plan, but also includes the suggestions expressed by community groups, policy makers, partner agencies, stakeholders, and the public.

Visit sanbenitocog.org/sbcog/TransportationNeedsConversation to read the full Expenditure Plan, the Regional Transportation Plan, Frequently Asked Questions, and the full ordinance adopted by the COG board.
Projects based on the following priorities:

**Widen Highway 25 to relieve traffic and improve safety**
The Council of Governments shall conduct an environmental study, design and construction of the Route 25 4-Lane Expressway Project, building a new 4-Lane highway between Hollister and Santa Clara County. Local funds will be used to qualify for state and federal matching funds and already-approved traffic mitigation fees to leverage taxpayer dollars further.

**Maintain local roads, repair potholes, and improve traffic flow**
Local street and road repair, maintenance, and rehabilitation to improve safety and traffic flow throughout San Benito County, including the City of Hollister, the City of San Juan Bautista, and the unincorporated areas of San Benito County including Aromas, Ridgemark, Tres Pinos, Bitterwater, and Dunneville. Local neighborhood street and road maintenance based on the priorities outlined in the pavement index study and capital improvement projects of each jurisdiction, to be re-evaluated on an annual basis with repairs occurring annually.

**Mobility, Transit, Paratransit, Future Planning, and Administration**
- Pedestrian and bicycle safety
- Mobility, bus and paratransit services for residents, including seniors, people with disability, and youth
- Future planning and contingency
- The existing COG will administer the Expenditure Plan. Administration capped at 1%
2018 San Benito County Roads and Transportation Safety Investment Plan
Expenditure Plan Questions and Answers

What are the needs outlined in the plan?

- Widen Highway 25: Average daily traffic at the San Benito/Santa Clara County line has more than doubled since the mid 1990s. We have made significant improvements, but we need four lanes. Widening Highway 25 will increase safety and relieve traffic congestion.
- Maintain Local Streets and Roads: San Benito County roads are crumbling under the weight of decades of underinvestment due to funding deficiencies. Our region is one of seven counties in the state to have an average pavement condition of 46, well below “at risk,” and significantly worse than the statewide average. Well maintained streets and roads will improve safety and traffic flow on local roads.
- Repair potholes and roadway cracking. Apply slurry seals and overlays.
- Increase pedestrian and bike safety.
- Protect and enhance bus and paratransit services for seniors, people with disabilities, and youth.
- Intersection improvements.

What is the San Benito County Roads and Transportation Safety Investment Plan?
Guided by community feedback and conversations held throughout San Benito County, COG Board and staff members developed an Expenditure Plan, called the San Benito County Roads and Transportation Safety Investment Plan. This plan evaluates, addresses, and provides solutions for major transportation issues throughout San Benito County, including relieving traffic congestion on Highway 25, maintaining and repairing local streets and roads, increasing pedestrian and bike safety, and protecting and enhancing bus and paratransit services for residents, including seniors, people with disabilities, and youth.

Does the plan align with the mission, vision, and goals of our County’s transportation needs?
This plan is guided by the Board adopted Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) 2040. The RTP 2040 identifies $1.8B in transportation needs for our region between 2018 and 2040, including fully funded projects like 156. The detailed Roads and Transportation Safety and Investment Plan addresses our funding shortfall for critical projects by ensuring stable local funds that qualify us for State and Federal matching funds.
Is this plan based on our most significant transportation needs?
Based on community input and conversations held, we have established which needs are most important to San Benito County residents and developed a tiered, needs-based priority list from feedback received. Tier 1 consists of widening Highway 25 to relieve traffic congestion. Tier 2 projects include maintaining local roads, repairing potholes, and improving traffic flow throughout the county. Tier 3 includes other areas identified as critical needs, including pedestrian and bicycle safety; mobility, bus and paratransit services for seniors, people with disabilities, and youth; administration (capped at 1 percent); and future planning and contingency.

Why is having a locally sourced Expenditure Plan that allows for state and federal matching funds important?
Local funds from San Benito County for our local transportation needs are a reliable and stable source of funding that cannot be taken by the state or provided to other counties. All funds will remain in San Benito County. With reliable local funding, we qualify for state and federal matching funds to leverage taxpayer dollars even further.

Does the plan include accountability and taxpayer safeguards?
The detailed plan, built with community and expert input, includes accountability and taxpayer safeguards and detailed project descriptions. This plan includes independent annual audits, annual reports, a citizens’ oversight committee, and administration capped at 1%. A sales tax would be combined with existing sources of local revenues for a special fund only for the projects outlined in the detailed Expenditure Plan.

Where can I go for more information?
Read the full plan by visiting our website at www.sanbenitocog.org. To learn more, contact COG Executive Director Mary Gilbert at mary@sanbenitocog.com or Transportation Planner Veronica Lezama at veronica@sanbenitocog.com, or call the COG office: 831-637-7665 and dial extension 207, or visit Sanbenitocog.org/sbcog/TransportationNeedsConversation.

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